GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

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ARREST OF INDIANS IN FRANCE
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Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether some Indians have been arrested in France recently;

(b) if so, details thereof alongwith the reasons therefor; and

(c) the measures taken/being taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI PRANAB MUKHERJEE)

(a) to (c) A group of 30 people reported to be from India, driven in a truck by an Indian national staying in Italy, was intercepted by the French police on 26th October, 2007 near Mont Blanc tunnel on the French-Italian border, trying to enter France without visas. The Indian driver has been detained by the French police for further investigation, and the other persons were sent back to Italy from where they had entered French territory. The Indian Mission in France sought to interview the detainees but in the meantime, they had been sent back to Italy.